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CANALS, BRIDGES, AND HIGHWAYS IN HUMANIA

PLANS OF DDM WORKERS AT SALINA -- Scanteia, No 1247, 12 Oct 48

For the third quarter of 1948, workers and technicians of the Danubian Maritime Commission of Sulina have planned to pursue hydrographic studies (particularly charting the river depth), to continue placing markers, to perform secondary repairs on ships and equipment, to assure the proper functioning of the DDM (Direcțiunea Dunării Maritime) (Danubian Maritime Commission) electric plant which supplies the city of Sulina and installations of the Commission, to lengthen the banks of the canal, and to quarry the necessary stone from quarries of the DDM in Tulcea.

Since nationalization, all planned work has been completed and in some cases even exceeded. At quarries in Tulcea, 4,324 tons of stone have been quarried instead of the planned 2,641 tons, representing an excess of 61 percent above plan.

IMPROVEMENTS ON THE BISTRITA RIVER -- Constanta, No 1243, 7 Oct 48

The Water Department of the Ministry of Public Works has begun an extensive campaign for improvement of the Bistrita River and its tributaries, Neagra-Bros tenii Negrisoara, Bistricioara, and Bicaz. With completion of this work, log rafts will be floated more easily and in better condition to the sawmills.

DAMS IN THE BATRAIOARA VALLEY -- Scanteia, No 1243, 7 Oct 48

The Ministry of Public Works has approved construction of seven dams in the Bistriciana Valley of Prahova Judet with the intention of protecting the highway and railway from river floods.

BRIDGE OVER THE SIMISNA VALLEY - Scanteia, No 1268, 5 Nov 48

Work is progressing rapidly on the two piers of the bridge over the Simiana Valley. The retreating Germans destroyed the bridge of the DeJ-Clit highway and so disrupted the traffic. The new bridge will be of concrete and will replace the old wooden bridge. The bridge is expected to be completed this fall.

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CRIS RIVER BRIDGE AT ORADEA -- Scanteia, No 1268, 5 Nov 48

By working 35 hours without interruption, workers and technicians have completed concreting of the bridge over the Cris River at Oradea. This part of the work was completed 7 days ahead of schedule and the whole bridge is to be ready by 7 November.

RECONSTRUCTION OF BISTRITA RIVER BRIDGE -- Scanteia, No 1249, 14 Oct 48

The bridge over the Bistrita River in Pitra Neamt, destroyed by the retreating Germans, has been rebuilt with funds from the Minister of the Interior and the voluntary work of the citizens.

SIX LARGE BRIDGES IN SUCEAVA JUDET -- Scanteia, No 1249, 14 Oct 48

From 1 May to 1 September 1948; six large bridges and 13 culverts have been built in the Ilisestl and Solva sections of Suceava Judet. The 60-meter-long bridge over the Solonet River, was completely rebuilt.

BUMBESTI-LIVEZENI RAILROAD LINE COMPLETED -- Scanteia, No 1236, 29 Sep 48

Completion of the Bumbesti-Liveseni railroad line is announced. This line will carry coal mined in the Valea Jiului region. There are a total of 33 tunnels and 100 bridges or viaducts along the 31-kilometer stretch.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION -- Scanteia, No 1254, 20 Oct 48

Three kilometers of the Braila-Visina highway have been remade and are open to traffic at present. The entire stretch is to be repaired. For highway repair, 1,200 cubic meters of rock and 450 cubic meters of sand have been used. At the same time, 6 kilometers of ditches have been remade. Voluntary workers have erected 66 telephone poles, repaired culverts, placed markers, etc.

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